

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-5. (*Canceled*)

Claim 6. (*New*) A portable jug for watering plants, comprising:

a container for holding water, said container having a top with a central hole defined therein for use in filling the jug, a bottom and a surrounding side wall extending between the top and the bottom of the container, said bottom including a downwardly sloped interior surface; and

a delivery pipe disposed in the side wall proximate the bottom of the container, said delivery pipe having a pin-sized hole to allow steady trickling of water from the container for watering soil around the plants, said delivery pipe further including a valve for regulating water flow.

Claim 7. (*New*) The portable jug for watering plants according to claim 6, wherein the sloped interior surface of said container bottom has a stepped configuration.

Claim 8. (*New*) The portable jug for watering plants according to claim 6, further including a handle extending over the top of said container.

Claim 9. (*New*) The portable jug for watering plants according to claim 6, wherein said container further includes a plurality of supports at the bottom for maintaining the jug in an upright position.

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Claim 10. (*New*) The portable jug for watering plants according to claim 6, wherein said valve includes a twist-type mechanism.

Claim 11. (*New*) The portable jug for watering plants according to claim 6, further including a removal cap for said delivery pipe.

Claim 12. (*New*) The portable jug for watering plants according to claim 6, wherein said container is made of a lightweight material selected from the group consisting of plastic, metal and ceramic.

Claim 13. (*New*) The portable jug for watering plants according to claim 6, wherein said container has a capacity of about 1 to 2 gallons.